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SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY CELL AND

MEMORY ARRAY USING A

BREAKDOWN PHENOMENON IN AN

ULTRA-THIN DIELECTRIC

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